

CITY ARTS DRAMA
CENTER

SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- Season Ticket Sales Return with limited numbers.
- The Booster Club has a new name
- Sponsorships are needed to help our program continue to grow.
- Greene Pictures gets new Producer.

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City Arts Drama Center

SPOTLIGHT

SEPTEMBER 2006

Two Season Ticket Sales!

Season Tickets go on sale this month for 9 shows by the City Arts Drama Center.

Greensboro Children's Theatre

Season Tickets for all three shows of the Greensboro Children's Theatre are \$15 and there are less than 1000 tickets available. Individual Tickets will go on sale October 3. Tickets can be purchased online through our website, www.TheDramaCenter.com or by calling 373-2728. Brochures will be in the mail soon.

Livestock Players & 3rd Stage Theatre Company

We are also offering a special season ticket to the shows by



the Livestock Players and 3rd Stage Theatre Co. This will include, *The Secret Garden*, *An O. Henry Christmas*, *Taming of*

the Shrew, the NC New Play Project, *I Hate Hamlet* and our Big Summer Musical, *Oliver!* Season Tickets are \$65 (\$55 for Seniors and \$43 for students and children). You save 17% off the individual ticket price. That's 6 shows for less than \$11 per show. Because of the size of our Studio Theatre, we will only offer 200 Season Tickets for this season. So order now. To order season tickets please call 335-6426 or visit us online at www.TheDramaCenter.com.

Drama Center Booster Club

The Livestock Players Booster Club has now become the Drama Center Booster Club. We have just received permission from the IRS to allow the Livestock Players Booster Club to support all the programs of the City Arts Drama Center. This means that the donations and sponsorships to our drama program can be used to support all the programs we offer on a much more even basis.

The Booster Club is a mem-

bership club that influences the program by raising money and providing feedback from all our programs. In the past they have purchased microphones, pianos and chairs for the Drama Studio. This year they paid the rent on Odell Auditorium our first step to returning to the big stage and a major expense. **We can't do it without your help.** We encourage everyone who has participated in this program to join the Booster Club by sending a \$20

(individual) or \$35 (family) membership fee. This is a tax deductible donation that supports the Greensboro Children's Theatre, Livestock Players, 3rd Stage Theatre Co., Greene Pictures, Greensboro Playwrights' Forum and our Drama Education Program. Membership forms are [online](#). Please make checks out to "LP Booster Club" until we make the name change with the bank. Our goal is to have 100 members by January.



You are not alone at auditions.

Are Auditions Scary?

Yes, auditions are scary. Everyone that auditions is nervous. You have to stand up in front of some strangers, read some lines you may have never seen before or have to sing a song when you've never done a solo before. But remember, the director is looking forward to hearing your take on the script, the song you sing and the dance number that you will learn five minutes before you show it. We want you

to succeed. We will coach you through it, no one is out to get you.

Auditions are nerve wracking but they are great way to meet new people, connect with old friends and to genuinely have a good time. The more fun you have, the more the director will want to work with you. Relax and have a good time.

So don't keep putting off resolutions, take a chance

and audition.

Auditions for the Greensboro Children's Theatre are Sept. 9, 1-4 pm and they are open to grades 4-9.

Auditions for the Livestock Players are Sept. 22 & 23 and they are open to grade 9-age 20 with roles available to those in grades 4-8.

Auditions for the 3rd Stage Theatre Co. are Oct. 10 & 11 and they are open to anyone age 16 and older.

New Classes for a new school year.

Come check out

everything we

have to offer!

City Arts has a

class for you!

Drama Education Program

Rosina Whitfield, Youth Theatre Director, has put together a tremendous set of Fall classes for K-12 and an acting class for adults. Classes begin the Sept. 13 and continue through to December.

Fees for the semester average \$70, with some at \$45. There are acting classes,

Improv, Scene Study, Stage Combat, Shakespeare, and classes in Musical Theatre.



Each class is taught by a

qualified teacher with a degree in theatre or a current student of a theatre degree program.

For more information or a registration form, call Rosina at 373-2728 or visit us on the web at www.CityArts.org. We also have classes in dance, music and visual art through City Arts.

Greensboro Children's Theatre

Some of you may not be aware but the Greensboro Children's Theatre has been around since 1953. It was revived in 1971 and has been in constant operation since then. It is

one the strongest drama programs in the City, a children's theatre by children for children. It offers young people a chance to learn theatre craft, develop communication skills, teamwork and enhance the confidence they have in themselves. It is

also been proven that children who participate in the arts score higher on standardized tests. Everyone that auditions for the Greensboro Children's Theatre is invited to be a part of the company either onstage or behind the scenes. Come play with us!

Children who participate in the arts achieve higher test scores.



Livestock Players

The Livestock Players returns with a wonderful new season and new opportunities for young performers. Opening our season will be the classic, The Secret Garden, a musical. Directed by Stephen Hyers and Music Direction by Chris Tilley of the Pegasus Project.



Secret Garden Opens our 36th season!

Auditions are September 22 (7-10) and Sept. 23 (1-5 pm) at the Greensboro Cultural Center.

Auditions are typically open to those in grades 9-age 20, but since two roles are for children around 10 years old, we will audition anyone in grades 4-age 20. Preference will be given to our teenagers. Performance dates are Nov. 9-12 & 16-19.

Following The Secret Garden, Rosina Whitfield will direct the Livestock Players first Shakespeare production with Taming of the Shrew. Auditions will be Feb. 12 & 13 and performances will be April 20-21 & 26-29.

Both of these shows are available through our season ticket that combines Livestock and 3rd Stage shows on one ticket.

Call 335-6426 for more information.

Monthly writing assignments are sent out to encourage creative playwriting. Contact us to find out more about it.

Greensboro Playwrights' Forum

The Greensboro Playwrights' Forum holds monthly meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the City Arts Conference Room at 7pm. The meetings are free and open to the public. Anyone is welcome to come listen to our works in progress. Many of our plays for the Evening of Short Plays begin here.

You may even find some inspiration to write your own play. Warning: We do not censor any of the work brought to the table each month. This means all opinions are valid. We want everyone to come to the table and feel comfortable in presenting their play, their ideas and their characters, especially if the play is in a

beginning stage.

Monthly writing assignments are e-mailed out. If you would like to receive the assignment, even if you can't attend our meetings, please e-mail drama@greensboro-nc.gov.

Our next Evening of Short Plays is
FALLING IN FALL
Sept. 14-17

Greene Pictures

Jason Pierce has just been named Managing Producer for Greene Pictures. Jason was our guest director for *Vader Figure*, Greene Pictures first film presented last year at the Greensboro Historical Museum. Jason also won "Best of Greensboro" in the latest 48 Hour Film Project. His film will go on to com-

pete with other city winners from around the world.

As the Managing Producer, Jason will be helping give some well needed guidance to our community based film project. We are modeling this program on the very successful Livestock Players and Greensboro Children's Theatre by creating a company run by

professionals and supported by amateur filmmakers and actors. The goal is to provide more opportunities for those interested in the Dramatic Arts. The next film will be announced soon.



Community based filmmaking comes to Greensboro.



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Recreational Arts on the Stage and Screen

Corporate Sponsorships

The City Arts Drama Center is actively seeking donations and sponsorship to support our growing season. We have 12 shows scheduled each year, each show will have 4-8 performances. We are seeking corporate sponsors for each performance. Corporate sponsorship starts at \$100 per performance and comes with a full page ad in our playbill for that performance. Please consider advertising your business as an arts supporter this year. More information is available at TheDramaCenter.com, just click on "Booster Club" or call 335-6426.



Fall Calendar @ City Arts Studio Theatre

Sept. 9 (1-4 pm) **Auditions** for the Greensboro Children's Theatre production of *"The Headless Horseman, the Musical Legend of Sleepy Hollow"*

Sept. 9 (8 pm) & **Sept. 10** (2 pm) *The Guys* by Anne Nelson, presented by the Piedmont Theatre Collective. A remembrance of 9/11. **Free**, Donations go to the NC Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

Sept. 11 (7 pm) **Meeting** of the Drama Center Booster Club.

Sept. 13 (7 pm) **Meeting** of the Greensboro Playwrights' Forum.

Sept 14-16 (8 pm) & **Sept. 17** (2 pm) **An Evening of Short Plays #15** by the Greensboro Playwrights' Forum. **Free**, Donations accepted.

Sept. 16 (1-5 pm) **Super Saturday Clean-up!** Help us restore our storage rooms and studios before the season gets underway!

Sept. 22 (7-10 pm) & **Sept. 23** (1-4 pm) **Auditions** for the Livestock Players production of the Tony Award winning musical, *The Secret Garden*. Open to grades 4-age 20.

Oct. 10 & 11 (7-9 pm) **Auditions** for the 3rd Stage Theatre Co. production of *An O. Henry Christmas*.

Oct. 11 (7 pm) **Meeting** of the Greensboro Playwrights' Forum.

Nov. 3-5 *The Headless Horseman, the musical legend of Sleepy Hollow* presented by the Greensboro Children's Theatre. **Weaver Academy**. Season Tickets \$15.

Nov. 8 (7 pm) **Meeting** of the Greensboro Playwrights' Forum.

Nov. 9-12 & 16-19 *The Secret Garden* presented by the Livestock Players. Season Tickets \$65, individual tickets \$15.

Nov. 30-Dec. 3 & 7-10 *An O. Henry Christmas* presented by the 3rd Stage Theatre Co. and the Greensboro Historical Museum. Performed

at the Museum. Individual Tickets \$12/\$10/\$8.

